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To Members of the Strategic Growth Council,

I would like to take this opportunity to express the Local Government Commission's (LGC) strong support for the Vision California project. The LGC believes the use of Proposition 84 funds for the project is not only appropriate, but will support a project that fills a critical gap in informing state, regional, and local policy directed at the implementation of AB 32, SB 375 and related sustainability initiatives.

By producing planning tools and robust scenarios that depict varying land use-investment futures for California, Vision California will paint a clear picture of the consequences of our land use and investment choices. It will address how these choices impact greenhouse gas emissions, air quality, housing choices, water and energy consumption, and critical farmland and habitat areas. The project's scenarios will assist local governments in contextualizing their own land use and planning decisions, and its tools will help our local jurisdictions make better, more informed land use decisions.

The LGC supports the California High Speed Rail Authority's funding request for the Vision California project.

Sincerely,

Judy Corbett  
Executive Director